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MONDAY

2000 AD

FEATURING **JUDGE DREDD**



**WIN ROBOTIX
MONSTER
MACHINES!**
INSIDE!

NERVE CENTRE

BORAG THUNGG, EARTHLETS.

Hordes of you have written to the Command Module begging for more Pin-Ups from my occasional series, The History Of Justice. Being a soft-hearted sort of Betelgeusian, I have therefore programmed another scan from the series on the back cover of this week's magnificent prog. There will be many more of them to follow in the future – watch that space. Meanwhile, if your circuits tremble at the thought of superbly-engineered futuristic monster machines powered by unique remote control micro motors, then I suggest you turn directly to my zarjaz ROBOTIX competition page and try to get your grabbers on one. Not for nothing do they call me Tharg the Generous!

SPLUNDIG YUR THIRIG!

THARG

STRONTIUM FEEK

Drawn by Earthlet Colin Rimmer,
Manchester. £10 Winner.



THARG STERNHAMMER



Drawn by Earthlet Neil Fletcher,
Middlesbrough. £10 Winner.

WEST COAST WARNING

Dear Tharg,

I am writing to inform you that the thrill-power of your magazine has reached the far-flung world of California. Although most of our "Dreddmaniacs" only get the Eagle reprints, I've commanded my newsagent to import the one and only 2000 AD – and don't tell *Judge Dredd*, but I even had the Fink Bros. picture single imported, for home use only, of course. Unfortunately, instead of a regular diet of one 2000 AD per week, I usually get a month's supply in one day, which I then read immediately. Tell me, is this dangerous to my thrill-circuits?

From Earthlet Steven A. Ross, Temple City, California. £5 Winner and let's hope he lasts long enough to spend it.

Very.

A GREXNIX WRITES...

Dear Tharg,

Are you readers idiots? In Prog 425 an Earthlet claimed to be unable to find a word to rhyme with "Tharg". Surely any person with a basic knowledge of English would have used the words "Barg", "Targ" or "Jarg", any of which would have made sense.

From optimistic Earthlet Andrew Torrance, Glasgow. £0 Winner.

This letter is clearly the work of a committed grexnix. See below.

NO PRIZES FOR GASSING

Dear Tharg,

I've been reading your zarjaz comic for 4 years, and I've often wondered if it's possible to win your £5 prize without writing a letter. Is it?

From Earthlet Emmet Whelan, Dublin. £0 Winner.

No. Terrans can win £10 with a drawing, but only a thrill-powered letter wins £5. Grexnix letters, of course, don't win any prizes at all.

WIDE SIDE STORY

Dear Keeper of the Thrills,

I have a couple of questions which I think will be of interest to fellow readers of your zarjaz comic besides myself. Firstly, how large is 2000 AD cover and page art drawn before printing? Also, for how long has a given story been prepared before it sees print?

From Earthlet Mark Armstrong, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne. £5 Winner.

It is largely up to the art droids to choose the size of their original artwork, but it's most frequently drawn "½ up" – that is, half as big again as it will be when printed. Last prog's front cover, for example, measured 209mm wide when printed, although Art Robot Cam Kennedy drew it on a page measuring 315mm wide. As for stories, the time factor varies enormously. The shortest possible is 6 weeks; the average is about 6 months; and the longest could be as much as 2 years.

VOTE HERE!

Each week Tharg displays your drawings and letters on his Nerve Centre. There are big cash prizes for every entry published, so write to him now! The address is: THARG'S NERVE CENTRE, COMMAND MODULE 2018, KING'S REACH TOWER, STAMFORD STREET, LONDON SE1 9LS.

List your three favourite stories
IN THIS PROG on the coupon and
enclose it with your entry.

1.....

2.....

3.....

I Dislike:.....

My Age is.....

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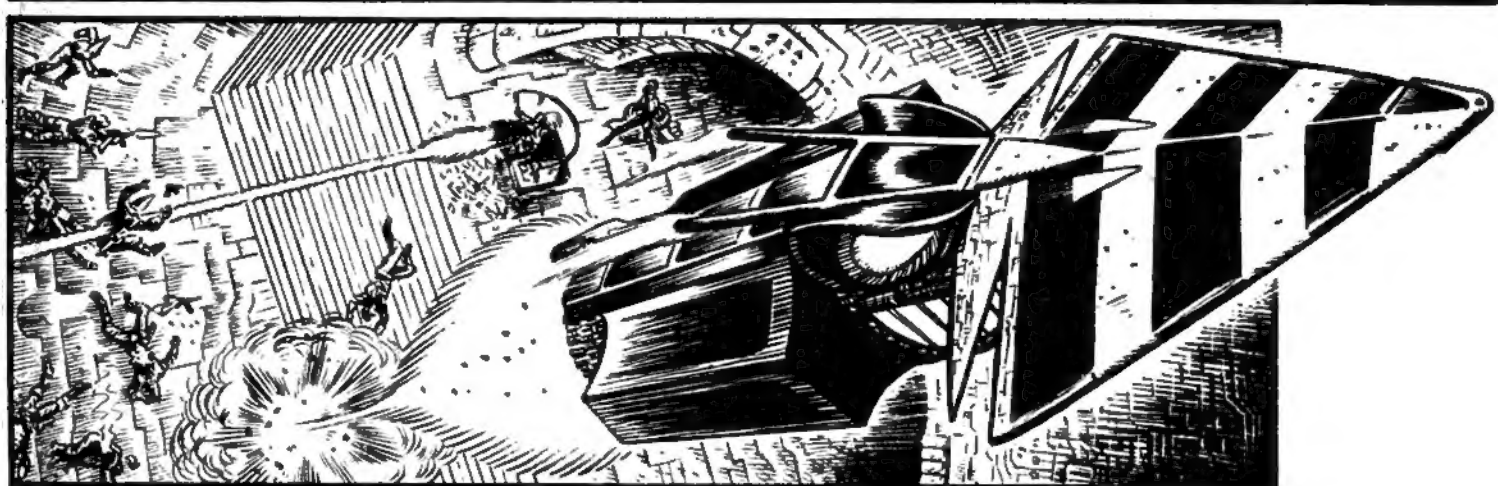
NEMESIS

THE WARLOCK

#BOOK FIVE

2000AD
Credit Card:
SCRIPT: ROBOT
FAT MILLS
ART: ROBOT
BRYAN TALBOT
LETTERING: ROBOT
STEVE POTTER
COMPU-73E







MEANWHILE... GRAND DRAGON MAZARIN WAS HEADING THROUGH THE TUBES, LOST IN THOUGHT...



WITH TORQUEMADA'S EXECUTION AND NEMESIS' RETIREMENT, HIS POSITION HAD SEEMED SAFE. BUT NOW...

GRAND DRAGON! AN URGENT POLICE MESSAGE...



THERE THEY ARE!

DESTROY THEM!



...TORQUEMADA'S BEEN RESCUED - BY NEMESIS!



WE'LL LOSE THEM IN THE CENTRAL ABYSS!







Zarjaz
Competition

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ROBOTIX

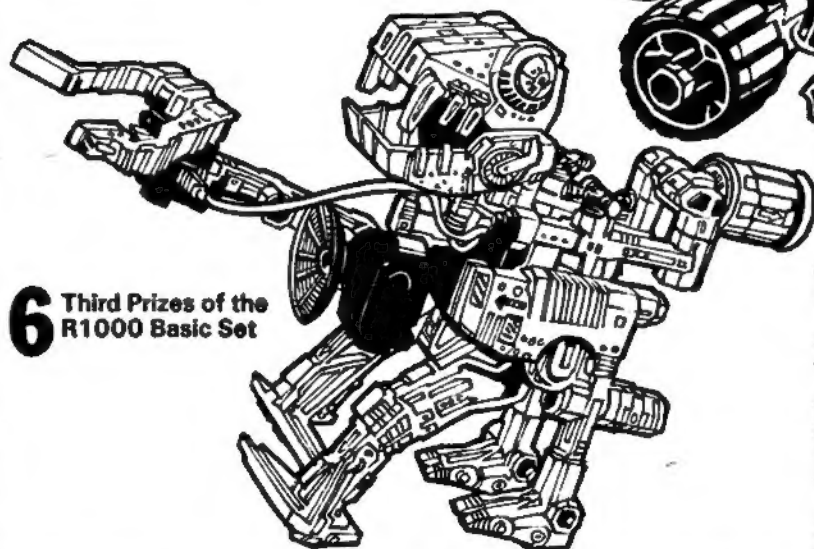
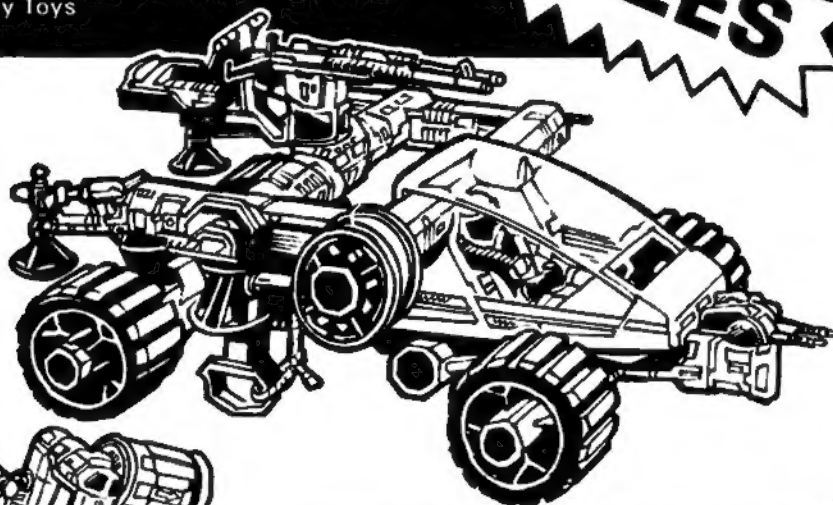
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In our letter grid we have hidden various words. Next to the grid we have listed words which are parts of the new Robotix or are connected in some way with it. Find as many of the listed words as you can in the letter grid...and then on a postcard neatly write which are NOT listed. The hidden words are spelt out in straight lines of consecutive letters, reading up, down, sideways or diagonally. In case of any ties, we'd also like you to think up an original name for your Robotix. Write the words you CANNOT find in the letter grid, and the name for your Robotix on a postcard or the back of a sealed-down empty envelope. Don't forget to write your own name, age and address. Post your completed entry to 2000AD/ROBOTIX Competition, London, SE99 6YP to arrive by Wednesday, 6th November, 1985.

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| O | D | M | O | R | E | Z | F | T |
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Which of these words are *not* in the letter grid?

Cable
 Control
 Torque
 Space
 Power
 Future
 Droids
 Zero
 Motor
 Organic
 Socket
 Capsule
 Plug
 Micro
 Robotix

RULES

All entries must be on a postcard (or the back of a sealed-down empty envelope) and must bear the entrant's own name, age and address. All entries arriving by the closing date will be examined and the First Prizes awarded to the senders of the eight correct entries with the most apt and original choice of name for Robotix. Remaining prizes will be awarded for the next best entries in order of merit. No entrant may win more than one award. There can be no alternative awards, cash or otherwise. The competition is open to all readers in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man except the children of employees of IPC Magazines Ltd., Milton Bradley Ltd., or the printers of 2000AD. All winners will be notified and the result published later in 2000AD.

I DIDN'T KNOW HOW LONG I WAS IN THAT HOSPITAL WARD. I'D LOST ALL SENSE OF TIME. EVERYTHING SEEMED TO BE HAPPENING IN A HAZE...

IN MY RARE PERIODS OF AWARENESS, I TRIED TO RATIONALISE THINGS WITH MY CONSULTANT, MR GOYAH -

SO YOU'RE TELLIN' ME I NEVER LEFT NEW YORK? I NEVER WENT TO SIN CITY - NEVER SAW HUNDREDS OF HOAGIES AND STOGIES GAMBLIN' MY MONEY AWAY?

THAT'S RIGHT, SAM. YUP!

SLADE.

YOU EVEN LOOK LIKE HOAGY! AND YOUR PEN - IT LOOKS LIKE MY ROBOTIC CIGAR!

UH, A PRODUCT OF THE ACCIDENT, I'M AFRAID. SEE, YOUR TWO ROBOTS WERE GAMBLING AWAY YOUR ENTIRE FUTURE...

YOUR SEARCH FOR THEM BECAME AN OBSESSION - AND COMPOUNDED BY YOUR ACCIDENT, OBSESSION TURNED INTO FULL-BLOWN MADNESS!

THAT'S RIGHT, SENOR! YOU CRAZY LIKE THE FRUITCAKE!

YOU WERE KNOCKED DOWN BY A CAR WHEN YOU LEFT GRITS' CASINO, SEE. EVERYTHING SINCE THEN HAS BEEN A DREAM. YUP!

BUT IF IT WAS ALL A DREAM, WHY AM I STILL SEEIN' HOAGIES EVERYWHERE?

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SCRIPT ROBOT
GRANT/GROVER
ART ROBOT
IAN GIBSON
LETTERING ROBOT
STARKINGS
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Sam C Slade ROBO HUNTER



ABSOLUTELY NOT, NOPE! WE'RE NORMAL PEOPLE, SAM. YOUR DEMENTED MIND JUST IMAGINES WE LOOK LIKE THIS HOAGY CHARACTER!



I STAGGERED TO THE
NIGHT NURSE'S OFFICE —

SHE WASN'T THERE,
BUT MY MEDICATION
WAS —

KOOKAZINE?
THAT'S THE
BRAINWASHING
DRUG! WHAT
THE HELL ARE
THEY GIVIN' ME
THAT FOR?

UNLESS...
THEY'RE GIVIN' ME
IT TO DRIVE ME
CRAZY!

THAT WOULD EXPLAIN
WHY NONE OF THE OTHERS
ARE GETTIN' ANY —
ROBOTS DON'T NEED
MEDICATION!

FUNNY...
WHY AM I
THE ONLY
ONE
GETTIN'
ANYTHING?

I HAD TO TEST
IT OUT —

WHAT'S
UP, SAM?

CAN'T SLEEP,
HUH?

WHATCHA
DOIN', SAM,
HUH?

IT'S NO
HALLUCINATION!
HE'S A ROBOT
ALL RIGHT!

RRRIPPPPP!

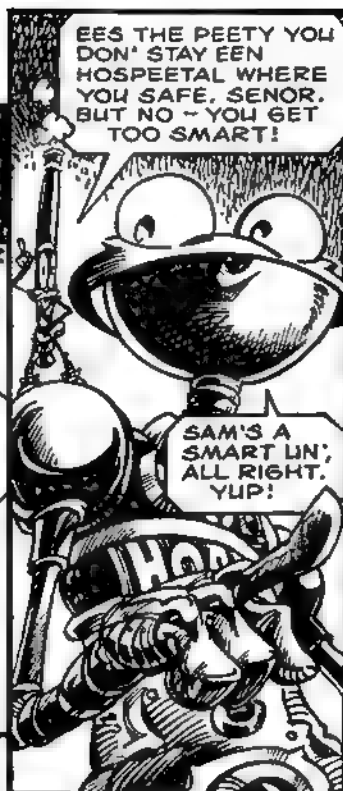




THAT EES
SOMETHING
YOU NO' LEEV
LONG ENOUGH
TO FIND OUT,
SENOR!

YOU!

THAT'S
RIGHT —
EES OS.
THE
REAL OS!



EES THE PEETY YOU
DON' STAY EEN
HOSPEETAL WHERE
YOU SAFE, SENOR.
BUT NO — YOU GET
TOO SMART!

SAM'S A
SMART UN,
ALL RIGHT.
YUP!



BUT NOW YOU
KNOW TOO
MUCH, SENOR.
YOU MOST DIE!

KNOW TOO
MUCH? WHAT DO
YA MEAN? I
DONNO
NOTHIN'!



NICE TRY, SAM.
YUP! BUT YOU
CAN'T FOOL US.

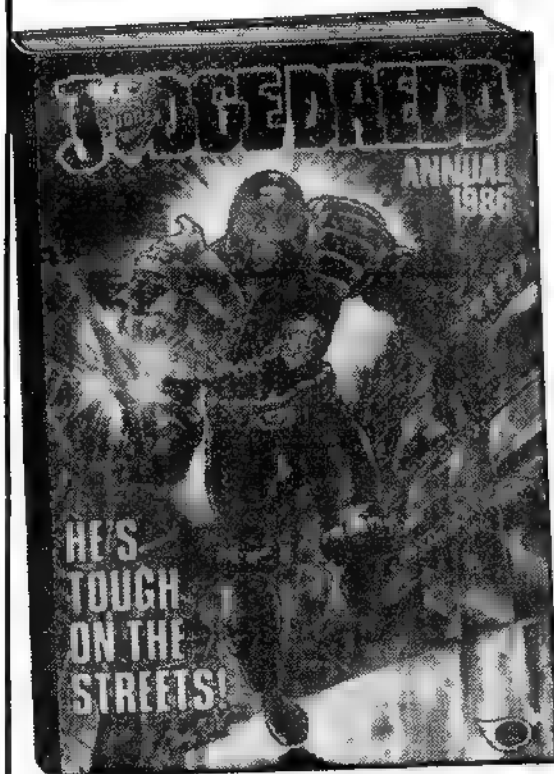


OKAY, BOYS.
BLOW HIM
AWAY.
YUP!

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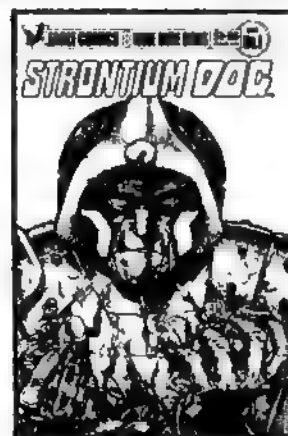
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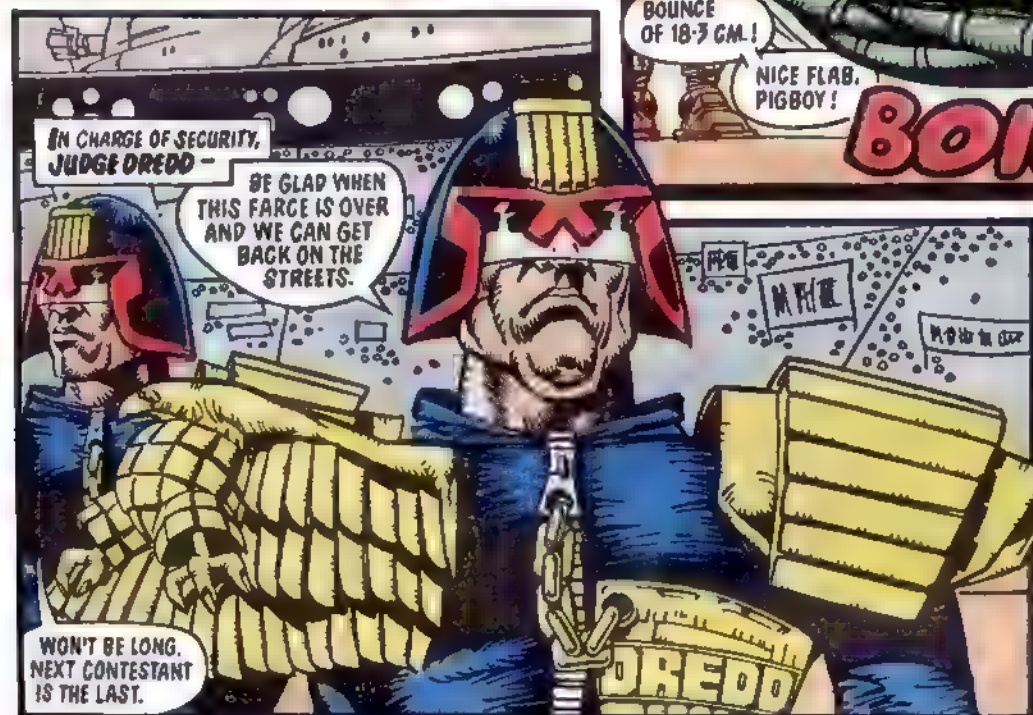
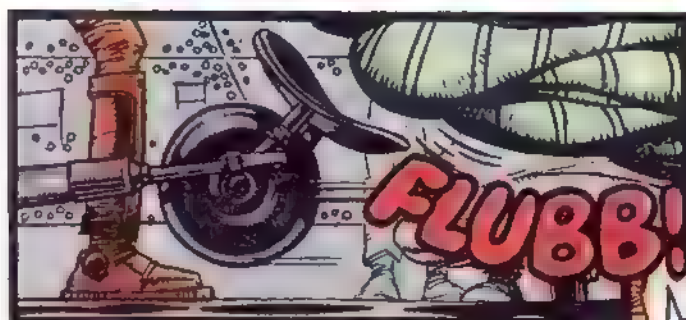
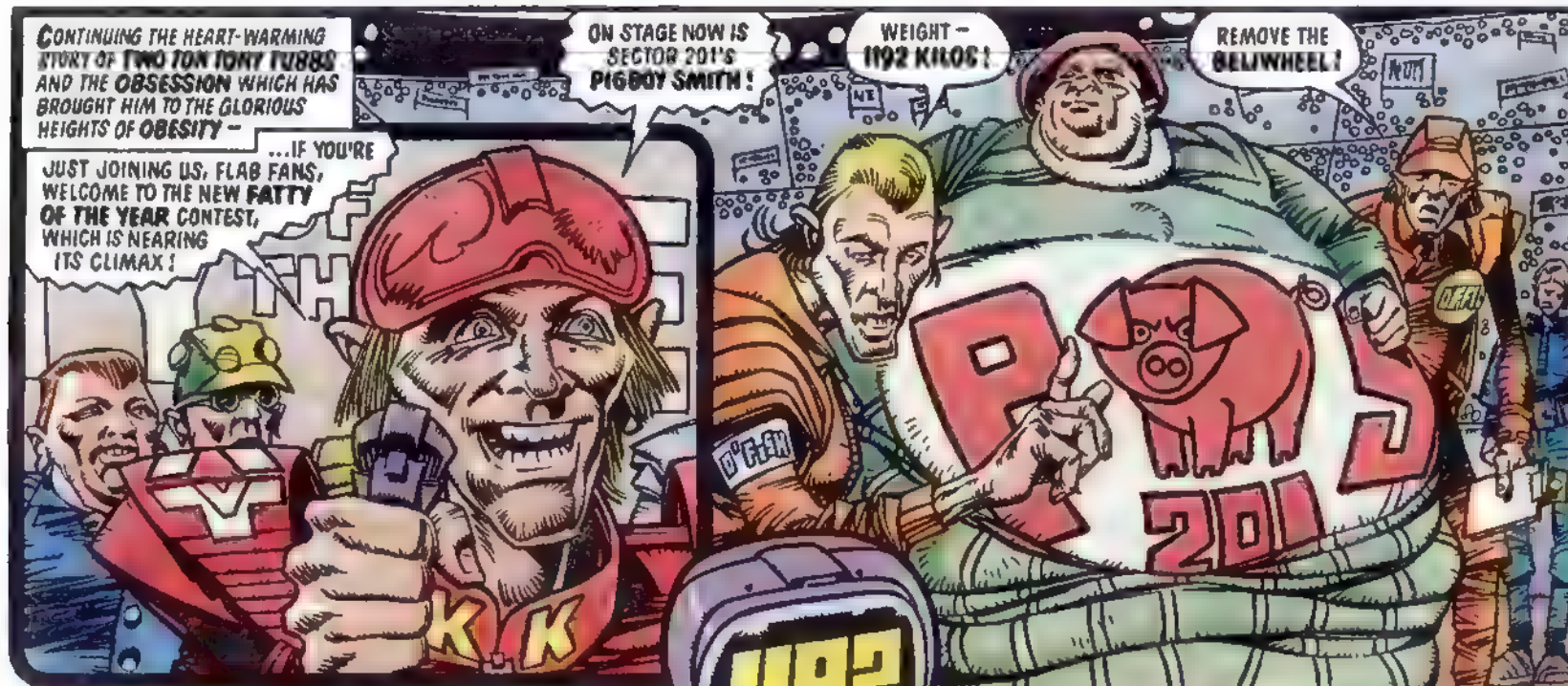
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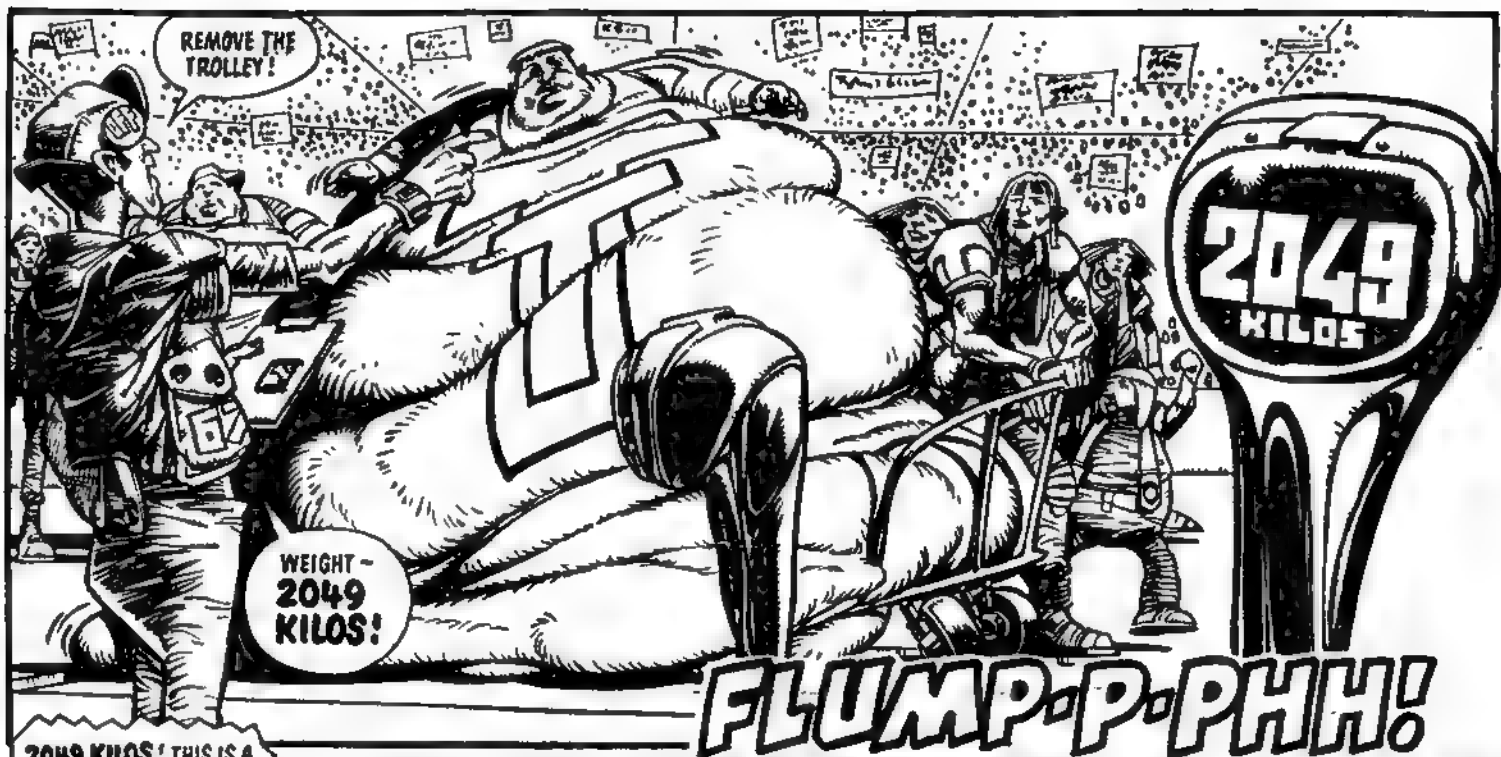
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2049 KILOS! THIS IS A NEW WORLD RECORD BY A LONG LONG WAY! THE FIRST TWO TON MAN!

THE OFFICIALS ARE CONFERRING, BUT THIS HAS GOT TO BE NO CONTEST! NO WAY CAN ANY OF THE OTHERS COME NEAR THIS GREAT SAGGING PUDDING OF A MAN!

BUT WAIT! SOME OF THE OTHER CONTESTANTS ARE MAKING A PROTEST!



IT AIN'T RIGHT! GUY SHOULD HAVE TO WALK ON THE STAGE!

ANY GUY CAN GET FAT AS THAT IF HE DON'T HAVE TO WALK!

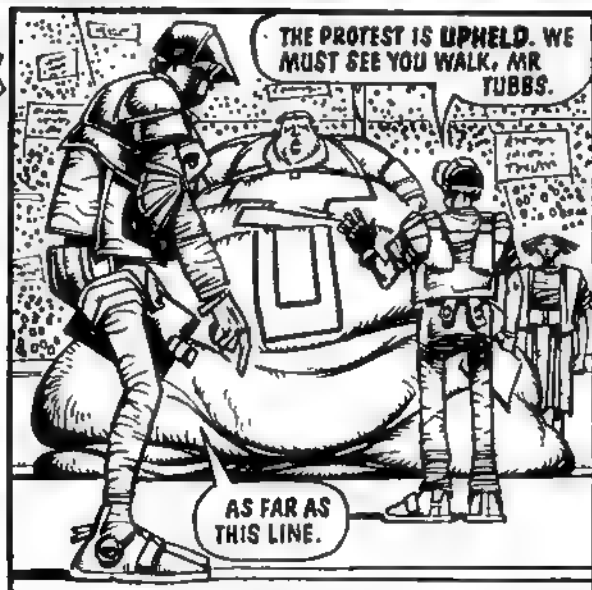
YEAH! LET'S SEE THE FAT SLOB WALK!

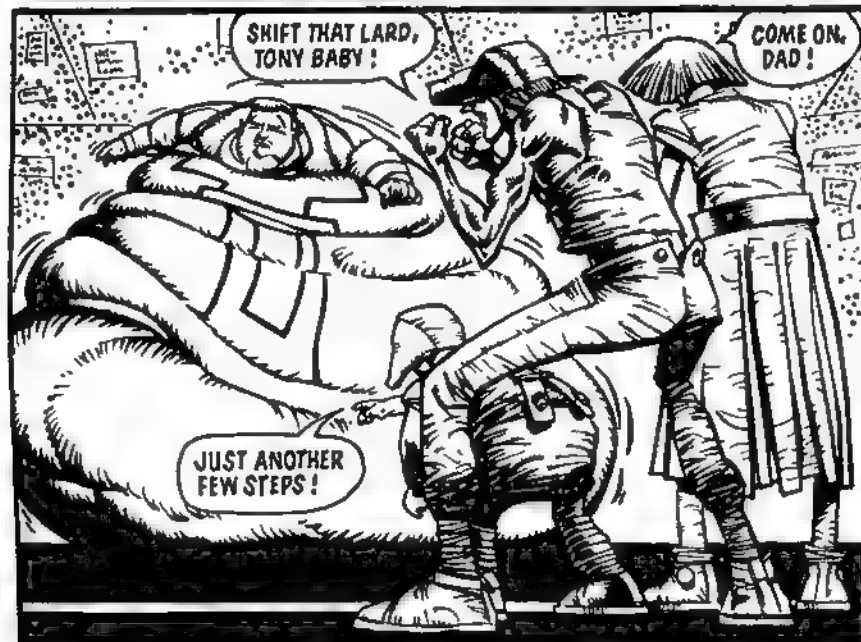
WELL, IT SOUNDS LIKE SOUR GRAPES TO ME, BUT THE OFFICIALS ARE NODDING -



SEEMS REASONABLE.

THE PROTEST IS UPHOLD. WE MUST SEE YOU WALK, MR TUBBS.





**TWO TON TONY TUBBS
IS THIS YEAR'S
MEGA-CITY FATS!**



I STILL SAY
IT'S NOT
RIGHT!

GUY'S A FREAK! LOOK
AT THAT - JUST FLAB!
NOT AN OUNCE OF
BOUNCE!

YOU SHUT YOUR
MOUTH, SKINNY!
MY DAD BEAT YOU
FAIR AND SQUARE!

THERE ARE
UNPRECEDENTED
SCENES HERE!
ANGRY
CONTESTANTS
ARE MOBING
THE STAGE!



UNFAIR! UNFAIR! UNFAIR!

STAMP!

STAMP!

STAMP!

THIS IS
GETTING
OUT OF HAND!
WITH ME!

BUT DISASTER WAITS FOR NO MAN -
NOT EVEN JUDGE DREDD!

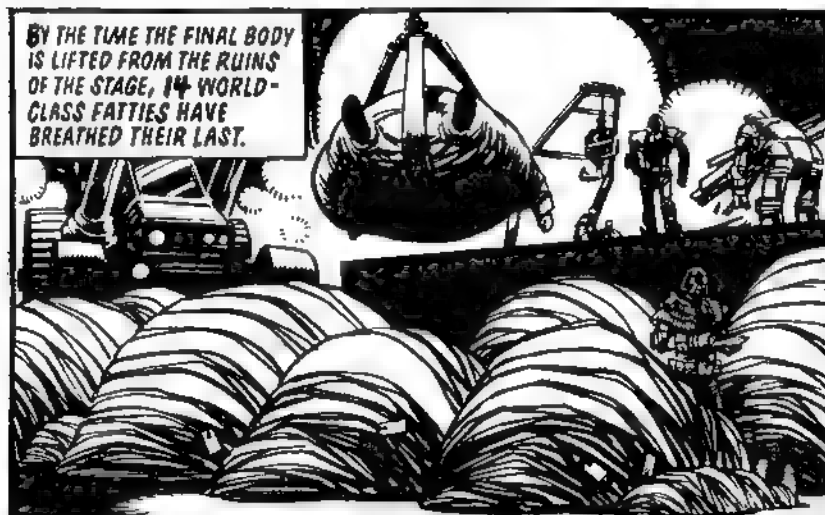
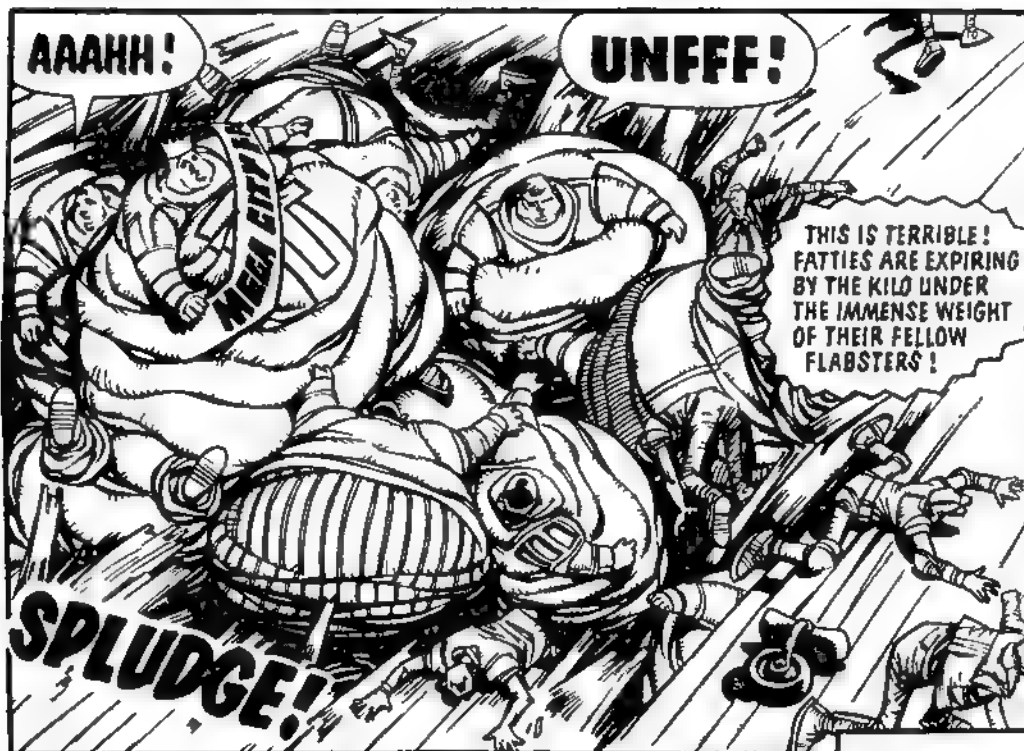


CRAA-AKK!

MY WORD! THE STAGE IS
GIVING WAY UNDER
THEIR WEIGHT!

AAAH!



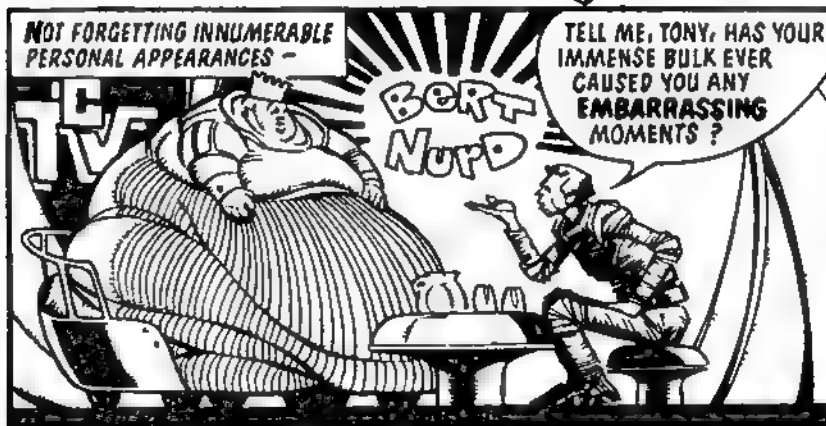


FOR TONY HIMSELF THERE FOLLOWS A SUCCESSION
OF VID ADS AND LUCRATIVE SPONSORSHIPS -



- AND A RANGE OF TWO TON TONY
TOYS, BOOKS, GAMES, CANDY BARS,
FASHIONWEAR, CUTLERY - YOU NAME IT!

NOT FORGETTING INNUMERABLE
PERSONAL APPEARANCES -



NEXT PROG: A NEW SUPERHERO IS BORN!



**THARG'S
FUTURE-**

SHOCKS

**DOING
TIME!**



CITIZENS! WHEN YOU ELECTED ME AS YOUR NEW LEADER, I VOWED TO ERADICATE CRIME FROM OUR SOCIETY!



TONIGHT, I AM PLEASED TO REPORT THAT THE WAR AGAINST THE CRIMINALS IS ALMOST WON!

OH, YEAH, CREEP...?



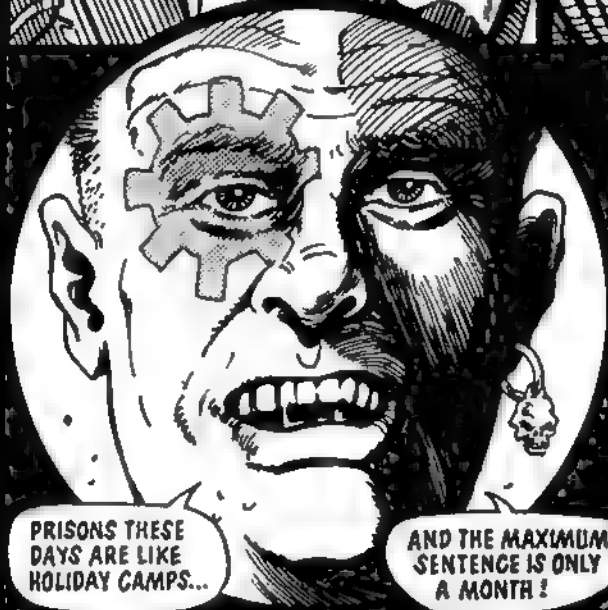
MY BOOT SAYS DIFFERENT!



M-MAYBE WE OUGHTA SPLIT, GUS - JUST IN CASE THE LAW TURNS UP.

STOP WORRYING, LARRY. IT'S LIKE I TOLD YOU...

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PRISONS THESE DAYS ARE LIKE HOLIDAY CAMPS...

AND THE MAXIMUM SENTENCE IS ONLY A MONTH!



AS THE TWO YOUTHS LEAVE THE RANSACKED RESIDENCE...

HEY! A 1998 ROLLS-MERCEDES!

THIS CALLS FOR A TEST-DRIVE, LARRY BABY!



STOP -
AAAHH!

SORRY, OFFICER.
WE DON'T TAKE
HITCH-HIKERS!

WOOOWEEE!



WHAT NOW,
GUS?

A SPOT OF
WINDOW-
SHOPPING!



KERRASH!

MON DIEU!

EEEEK!



ZOOT ALORS!
I AM 'ANDSOME,
NON?

TREZZ GHEEK, GUS!

UH-OH...



FREEZE!

IT'S THE LAW,
GUS!

SO WE'RE
NICKED.
BIG DEAL!



AT THE CITY COURTHOUSE -

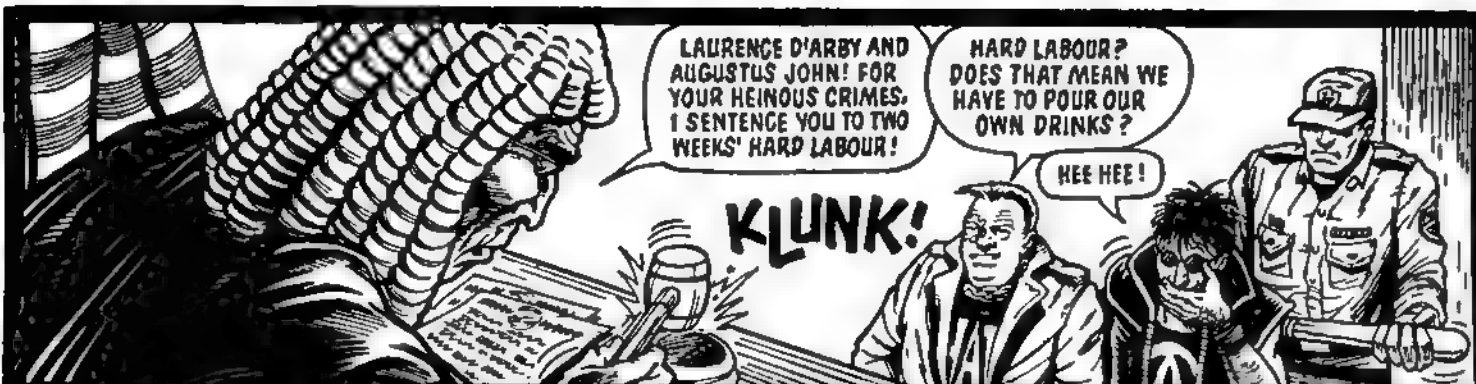
...FOUR ROBBERIES...SEVEN HI-JACKINGS!

I SENTENCE YOU TO THREE WEEKS'
COMMUNITY SERVICE!

GREAT!

OUR TURN
NEXT, GUS.

I'M JUST
SHAKING
WITH
FEAR!



MEXAN MEXAN

CHAAANG!

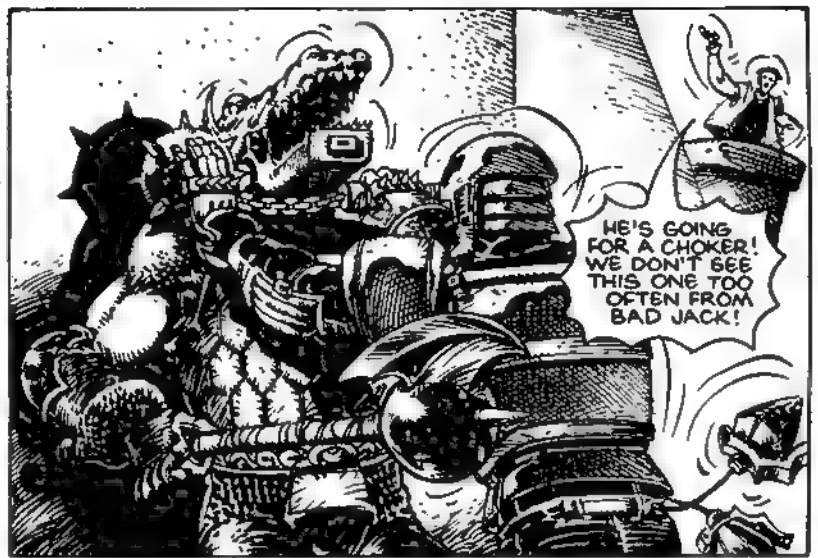
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BOWL CHAMPIONSHIPS!
MEAN TEAM LEADER
BAD JACK KELLER
ENGAGES IN A GRIM
DUEL TO THE DEATH
WITH BLACK SWAMP
DRAGON STAR
KRAY KREBBZ!

2000AD
Credit Card!
SLIGHTLY
"THE AGE"
ART ROBERT
BELARDINELLI
EDITORIAL ROBERT
TONY JACOB
COMPU-73c

GRUUUFF!

BAD
JACK'S
GOT
HIM!

HERB
COMES
THE
MACE!





DIDN'T LIKE THAT,
EH, BAD JACK? I
DIDN'T GET 346 KILL-
POINTS BY DYIN'
EASY!

EASY
...OR
HARD...

YOU'LL
DIE!

BAD JACK ATTACKED
WITH A FURY THAT
WAS AS COLD AND
CALCULATING AS
IT WAS
RELENTLESS—

BLOW AFTER BLOW
RAINED DOWN ON
THE SWAMP
DRAGON CAPTAIN—



BAD JACK
IS GOING
BERSERK!

KREBBZ
CAN'T DO
ANYTHING—
OH! AND
THERE
GOES HIS
STRIKER!

ONLY TEN POINTS SEPARATED BAD JACK FROM THE ONE THING HE HAD COVETED ALL THESE YEARS... TEN POINTS — AND KRAY KREBBZ!



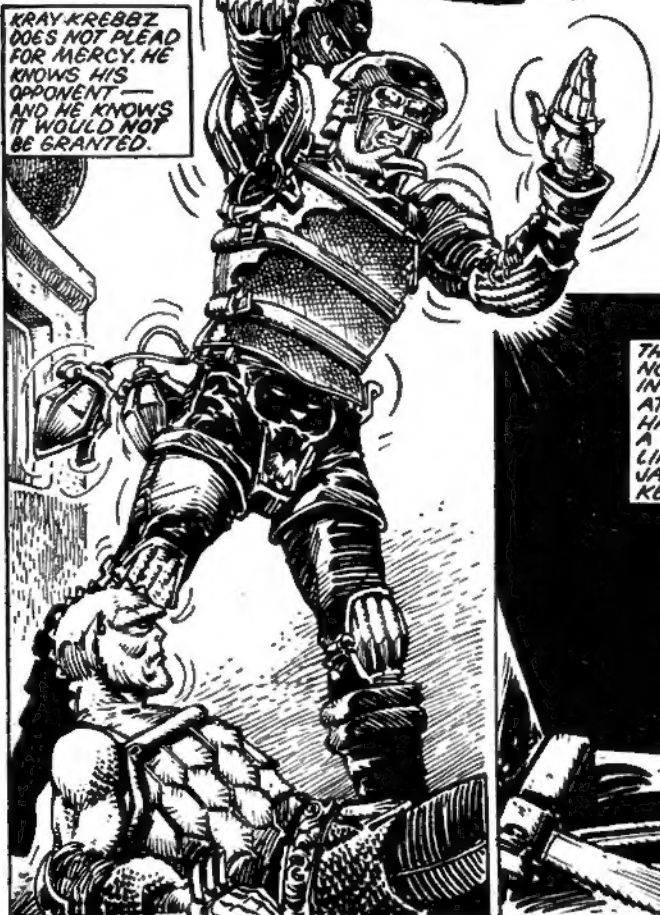
I SAID YOU'RE IN MY WAY, KRAY! YOU GOT TO GO!

KELLER'S SPLINTERED KRAY'S SHIELD!

KILL! KILL! KILL! KILL!

KRAY KREBBZ DOES NOT PLEAD FOR MERCY. HE KNOWS HIS OPPONENT — AND HE KNOWS IT WOULD NOT BE GRANTED.

BESIDES, IN THE KILLPIT, DEATH IS THE MOST ANY PLAYER CAN EXPECT. AND ALL THE BETTER IF IT IS A QUICK ONE —

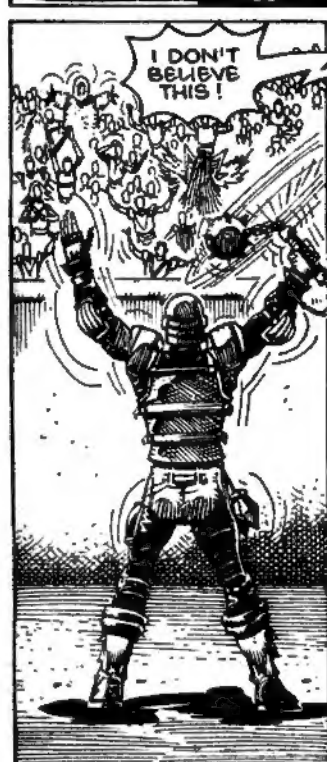
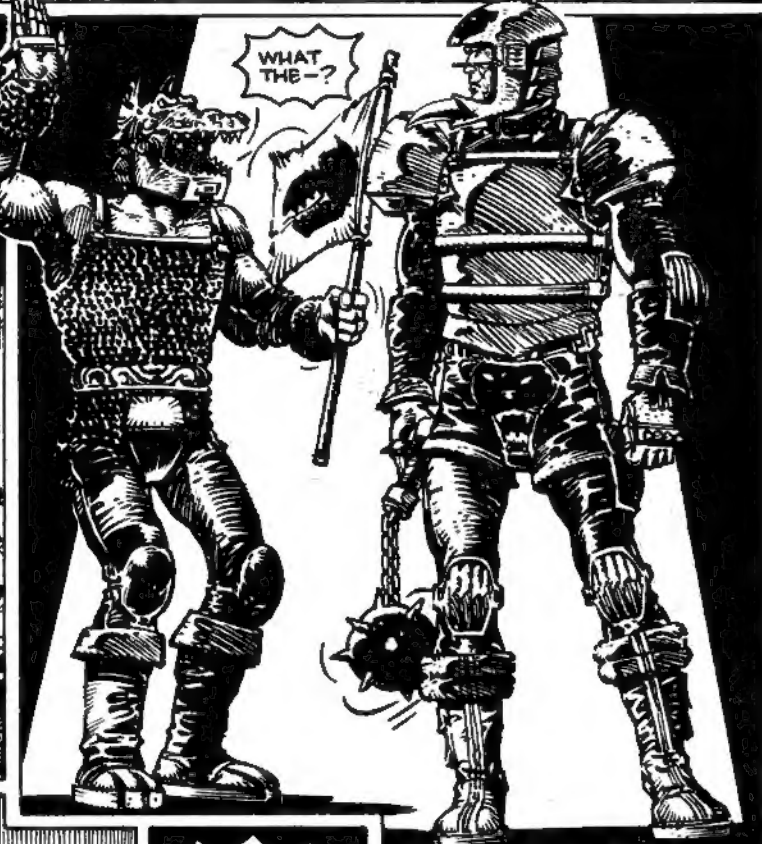
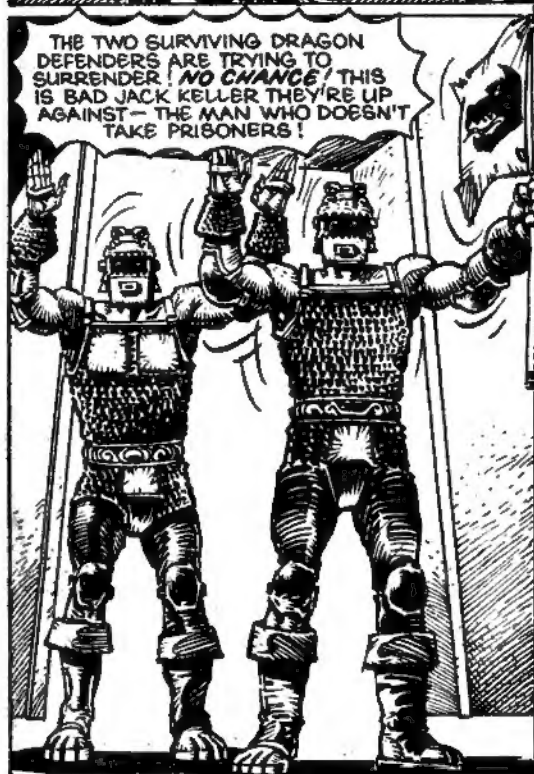


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